The scheme on Labelling of Environment Friendly Products was notified by Ministry of Environment & Forests on 21st Feb., 1991.

(b) For a product to be eligible for ECO-Mark, it shall carry the Standard Mark of the Bureau of Indian Standards for conformity to the applicable Indian Standard and also satisfy the additional requirements prescribed for meeting the ECO-Mark criteria.

आवश्यक वस्तुओं के मूल्य

756. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या ट्रक चालकों की हड़ताल के कारण दिल्ली में और अन्य स्थानों पर आवश्यक वस्तुओं के मूल्यों में वृद्धि हुई है और उनकी उपलब्धता प्रतिकूल रूप से प्रभावित हुई है ; और

(ख) इस संबंध में पूरा ब्यौरा क्या क्या है ?

नागरिक आपूर्ति और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद) (क) और (ख) आल इंडिया मोटर ट्रांसपोर्ट कांग्रेस ने 1-7-1992 से सड़क परिवहनचालकों की अनिश्चितकालीन हड़ताल का आह्वान किया था । हड़ताल के परिणाम स्वरूप आवश्यक वस्तुओं विशेषकर सब्जियों फलों तथा पैट्रोलियम उत्पादों की आपूर्ति में कुछ अस्थायी व्यवधान आया था । कुछ राज्य सरकारों जैसे महाराष्ट्र आन्ध्र प्रदेश, उड़ीसा, गुजरात तथा संघ राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली में सब्जियों तथा फलों के मूल्यों में वृद्धि की सूचना दी है । सभी राज्यों में खाद्यान्न का पर्याप्त स्टाक था । जहां तक दिल्ली का संबंध है फलों तथा सब्जियों को छोड़कर किन्हीं अन्य आवश्यक वस्तुओं की कोई कमी नहीं थी । आल इंडिया मोटर ट्रांसपोर्ट कांग्रेस ने 7-7-1992 को अपनी हड़ताल समाप्त कर दी । उपलब्ध जानकारी के अनुसार देश में सभी भागों में आवश्यक वस्तुओं की उपलब्धता की स्थिति सामान्य हो गई है ।

Taking up export oriented integrated coal mining projects

757. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are proposing to take up export oriented 'integrated' coal mining projects with foreign collaboration; and

(b) if so, what are the projects offered, their modalities and the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA); (a) During the Eleventh meeting of the Indo-French Working Group on Coal held in Paris in June, 1992, the Indian side had requested the French side to consider the possibility of assisting India in the setting up of an integrated coal project consisting of an underground mine, a Washery and a captive power plant at Ananta (Mahanadi Coalfields Limited) in Orissa. The Indian side also proposed to explore the possibility of exporting coal with French Assistance.

(b) The modalities and the details of proposal will be worked out after the French side agrees, in principle, to the proposal.

Short supply of coal to small scale industrial units in North India

758. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that less quantity of coal is being supplied to small scale industrial units in North India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that coal consumers association has submitted a representation to Government in this regard;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for supply of coal in less quantity; and

(d) what steps Government are taking to supply coal to small scale industrial units as per their requirements?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (d) There have been shortfalls in supply of coal by rail to non-core sector consumers including small scale industrial units in North India. Representations have also been received in this regard. Shortfalls have occurred because of priority accorded in movement of coal to core sectors like Power Steel, Loco, Cement and Fertilizers etc. However coal supplies to non-core sector consumers during the year 1991-92. have been more or less of the same order as during 1990-91. Government have instructed all the coal companies to supply at least 50 per cent of the linked quantity of coal to all the non-core sector consumers, including small scale industrial Units, by rail or by road. Besides, Coal India Limited are offiering 20 million tonnes of coal to the consumers which could be lifted by them without sponsorship from pitheads under stock liquidation programme. small scale industrial units can also avail of this opportunity.

Injury sustained by employees of Neyveli Lignite Corporation

759. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will *the* Minister of COAL be pleased to ktate:

(a) whether it is a fact that the employees of Neyveli Lignite Corpoation were injured by the blasting of the corborator tank during the strike in June, 1992;

(b) if so, whether the management took action against the person responsible for accidents;

(c) whether the Engineers Association of N.L.C. has made any protest against the management; and

'dl if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA); (a) Yes, Sir, On 16-6-1992, during the general strike^ an accident in the Briquetting & Carbonisation plant occurred in which 14 workers were injured, of whom two subsequently succumbed to their injuries.

(b) Two of the Executives in char ge of the operation were suspended on 13-6-1992, A Committee consisting of senior officers of NLC and an out side expert was constituted by NLC management on 17-6-1992 to go into the causes of the accident, fix respon sibility and suggest remedial action,

(c) and (d) The Associations repre senting the Engineers and the officers stopped working from the III shift of 17-06 1992 in protest aginst the sus pension. After discussions, they resu med work from the II shift of 19-06-1992. On receipt of the interim report of the Committee exonerating the two (suspended) Executives, the suspen sion order were revoked on 20-06.1992.

Integrated mining complex for a wiae Washery and a Power Plant

730. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for retting up an integrated mining complex for developing a mine^ a Washery and power plant on a turn key basis;

(b) whether provision for buy back arrangement for coal was discussed in the meeting of the Indo-French Working group; and

(c) if so, what are the details there of?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) During the Eleventh meeting of the Indo-French Working Group on Coal held in Paris in June, 1992, the Indian side had re-